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**Intervention by Denmark**

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Mr. President,

Denmark welcomes the delegation of Bolivia and thanks it for its presentation today.

We commend Bolivia for establishing a Truth Commission and its efforts to improve its judicial system. However, prison conditions, for example ill-treatment and overcrowding, remain a concern.

*Denmark recommends the Government to ensure that all professionals, such as doctors, psychologists, social workers and lawyers, who come into contact with torture victims, are trained in offering rehabilitation services to victims of torture and ill-treatment.*

We praise Bolivia for its ratification of the Escazú agreement. Nonetheless, the tension between the recognition of indigenous peoples’ rights and extraction of natural resources is worrying.

*Denmark recommends the Government to adjust the legal framework of mining and hydrocarbon sector according to the ILO Convention 169, including by reforming the Mining Law 535 and Supreme Decree 2298 to ensure the right to free, informed and prior consent.*

Denmark wishes Bolivia a successful review.

I thank you.